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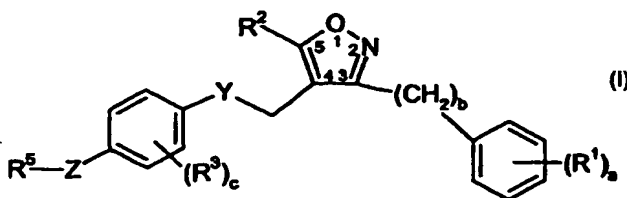
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(57) Abstract: The invention relates to a compound of formula (I) useful as an agonist for FXR: wherein all variables are as defined herein and to pharmaceutical compositions, methods of using, and processes for preparing the same.

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